

Juvenile Intake and Assessment System Standards Kansas Department of Corrections- Division of Juvenile Services State of Kansas	CHAPTER: OPERATIONS	STANDARD NO. JIAS-04-104
	SUBJECT: SCREENING INSTRUMENT(S)	PAGE: 1 of 1
REFERENCES: K.S.A. 75-7023(d)(1) and (g), AG Opinion 2001-053		DATE ADOPTED: 2-5-2015 DATE REVIEWED: 2-5-2015

STANDARD: Written policy, procedure and practice shall require the Intake and Assessment Program to use the Problem Oriented Screening Instrument for Teens (POSIT) or the Massachusetts Youth Screening Instrument – Second Version (MAYSI-2) as part of the screening referral process on every youth between the ages of twelve (12) to seventeen (17). This includes Children In Need of Care (CINC), juvenile offenders and walk-ins. Screening instruments may be administered to youth that are eighteen (18), if the offense was committed when the youth was seventeen (17) or younger.

The only exception for the youth to not have a screening instrument administered is for a re-admitted youth, where a POSIT/MAYSI-2 has been administered within the last three (3) months and there does not seem to be any significant changes for the youth.

The Intake and Assessment screener shall inform all juvenile offenders, CINC and walk-ins that the taking of the POSIT/MAYSI-2 is voluntary. Youth shall be required to sign form KDOC-JS-JIAS-003 acknowledging they understand the process is voluntary.

Judicial districts seeking to use an alternative screening instrument shall request an exception to this standard from the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Corrections.

DISCUSSION: None.

NOTE: The standards and procedures set forth herein are intended to establish operational guidelines for the intake and assessment program operating through the board of county commissioners and their employees/contractors and youth participating in the intake and assessment process. They are not intended to establish state created liberty interests for the intake and assessment program or the board of county commissioners, or their employees/contractors, or youth, or an independent duty owed by the Kansas Department of Corrections- Division of Juvenile Services to intake and assessment programs operating through the board of county commissioners or their employees/contractors, supervised juveniles or third parties. This standard and procedure is not intended to establish or create new constitutional rights or to enlarge or expand upon existing constitutional rights or duties.